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For: VOLTAGE CLAMP CIRCUIT, A SWITCHING POWER SUPPLY DEVICE, A SEMICONDUCTOR INTEGRATED CIRCUIT DEVICE, AND A VOLTAGE LEVEL

**CONVERSION CIRCUIT** 

RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed January 15, 2009, and to the requirement for restriction therein, Applicants elect the invention of Group 2 (Claims 59-68 and 76-94) for examination in this application. Applicants reserve the right to file a divisional application with regard to the non-elected invention.

An action on the merits of the claims to the elected invention is respectfully requested.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge to Deposit Account No. 50-1165 (T3844-11695US01) any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 and 1.17 that may be required by this paper and to credit any overpayment to that Account. If any extension of time is required in connection with the filing of this paper and has not been separately requested, such extension is hereby requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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